

DAILY BULLETS FOR SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2017:

The operational period has changed from 24 hours to 12 hours (i.e. 0700 to 0700 to 0700 to 1900) per IAP.

Two additional Incident Objectives have been added: 1) Establish a vessel recovery strategy 2) Establish a strong interagency partnership with public and private organization to determine ownership and disposition of targets.

CORPUS CHRISTI (ALPHA BRANCH)

The Alpha Branch's Oil Discharge Recovery Group is in process of prioritizing vessels and contacting marinas to relocate vessels.

On Monday September 4, 2017 at 0900, EPA and the USCG provided oversight operations at Aransas Pass. The Oil Discharge Assessment Group (ODA) 1 continued to monitor oil removal operations on the Signet Enterprise. The Signet Enterprise commenced removal operations on the second FRAK truck. The second FRAK truck has approximately 25,000 gallons of diesel onboard. Thus far, 20,000 gallons of diesel has been removed and 280,000 gallons remains.

On Monday September 4, 2017 at 1019 in Port Aransas, the ODA 1 monitored the Drill Ship DPSPDS1 as it was successfully free floated with no issues or pollution observed. The Drill Ship DPSPDS1 is currently enroute to Sherwin Alumina dock.

The Alpha Branch's Hazard Evaluation transitioned from two teams to one team. The Oil Discharge Assessment Group transitioned from three teams to two teams. The Oil Discharge Recovery Group transitioned from two teams to three.

HOUSTON (BRAVO BRANCH)

The Bravo branch has received an influx of upwards of 80 personnel and is ramping up Hazard Evaluations. The Bravo branch has two deputy branch directors in order to maintain span of control.

ASPECT is conducting assessments of the Houston area during this operational period.

Two USCG Liaison Officers and Planning personnel include EPA and EPA START have integrated into the Bravo Branch.

PORT ARTHUR/ BEAUMONT (CHARLIE BRANCH)

The Charlie Branch should be fully stood up by Wednesday, September 6, 2017 and is currently operating with five Oil Discharge Assessment teams.